

# Algorithms

## ALGORITHM 30 NUMERICAL SOLUTION OF THE POLYNOMIAL EQUATION

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**procedure** ROOTPOL (*n*, *a*, *L*, *F*, *u*, *v*, *CONV*) ;  
    **value** *n*, *a*, *L*, *F* ; **integer** *L*, *F*, *n* ;  
    **array** *a*, *u*, *v*, *CONV* ;

**comment** The Bairstow and Newton correction formulae are used for a simultaneous linear and quadratic iterated synthetic division. The coefficients of a polynomial of degree *n* are given as  $a_j$  ( $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ ) where  $a_n$  is the constant term. The coefficients are scaled by dividing them by their geometric mean. The Bairstow or Newton iteration method will nearly always converge to the number of figures carried, *F*, either to root values or to their reciprocals. If the simultaneous Newton and Bairstow iteration fails to converge on root values or their reciprocals in *L* iterations, the convergence requirement will be successively reduced by one decimal figure. This program anticipates and protects against loss of significance in the quadratic synthetic division. (Refer to "On Programming the Numerical Solution of Polynomial Equations," by K. W. Ellenberger, *Commun. ACM* 3 (Dec. 1960), 644-647.) The real and imaginary part of each root is stated as  $u[i]$  and  $v[i]$ , respectively, together with the corresponding constant,  $CONV_i$ , used in the convergence test. This program has been used successfully for over a year on the Bendix G15-D (Intercard System) and has recently been coded for the IBM 709 (Fortran System);

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begin integer i, j, m ; array h, b, c, d, e[-2 : n] ;
real t, K, ps, qs, pt, qt, s, rev, r ;
ROOTPOL: b-1 := b-2 := e-1 := e-2 := d-1 := d-2 := e-1 :=
         e-2 := 0 ;
for j := 0 step 1 until n do hj := aj ; t := 1 ;
         K := 10F ;
ZROTEST: if hn = 0 then
         begin un := 0 ; vn := 0 ; CONVn := K ;
         n := n - 1 ; go to ZROTEST
         end ;
INIT: if n = 0 then go to RETURN ;
         ps := qs := pt := qt := s := 0 ;
         rev := 1 ; K := 10F ;
         if n = 1 then
         begin r := - h1/h0 ; go to LINEAR
         end ;
         for j := 0 step 1 until n do
         begin
         if hj = 0 then s := s else s := s + log(abs(hj))
         end ; s := s10 ;
         for j := 0 step 1 until n do hj := hj/s ;
         if abs(h1/h0) < abs(hn-1/hn) then
         begin t := -t ; m := entier((n+1)/2) ;
         for j := 0 step 1 until m do
         begin s := hj ; hj := hn-j ; jn-j := s
         end
         end ;
         if qs ≠ 0 then
         begin p := ps ; q := qs ; go to ITERATE
         end ;
         if hn-2 = 0 then
         begin q := 1 ; p := -2
         end else
         begin q := h/hn-2 ; p := (hn-1 - q × hn-3)/hn-1
         end ;
         if n = 2 then go to QADRTIC ; r := 0 ;

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ITERATE: for i := 1 step 1 until L do
         begin
BAIRSTOW: for j := 0 step 1 until n do
         begin bj := hj - p × bj-1 - q × bj-2 ;
         cj := bj-p × cj-1 - q × cj-2
         end ;
         if nn-1 = 0 then go to BNTEST ;
         if bn-1 = 0 then go to BNTEST ;
         if abs(hn-1/bn-1) < K then go NEWTON ;
         bn := hn - q × bn-2 ;
BNTEST: if bn = 0 then go to QADRTIC ;
         if K < abs(hn/bn) then go to QADRTIC ;
NEWTON: for j := 0 step 1 until n do
         begin dj := hj + r × dj-1 ; cj := dj + r × cj-1
         end ;
         if dn = 0 then go to LINEAR ;
         if K < abs(hn/dn) then go to LINEAR ;
         cn-1 := -p × cn-2 - q × cn-3 ;
         s := cn-22 - cn-1 × cn-3 ;
         if s = 0 then
         begin p := p - 2 ; q := q × (q + 1)
         end else
         begin p := p + (bn-1 × cn-2 - bn × cn-3)/s ;
         q := q + (-bn-1 × cn-1 + bn × cn-2)/s
         end ;
         if en-1 = 0 then r := r - 1 else r := r - dn/en-1
         end ; ps := pt ; qs := qt ; pt := p ;
         qt := q ;
         if rev < 0 then K := K/10 ; rev = -rev ;
         go to REVERSE ;
LINEAR: if t < 0 then r := 1/r ; un := r ; vn := 0 ;
         CONVn := K ; n := n - 1 ;
         for j := 0 step 1 until n do hj := dj ;
         if n = 0 then go to RETURN ;
         go to BAIRSTOW ;
QADRTIC: if t < 0 then
         begin p := p/q ; q := 1/q
         end ;
         if 0 < (q - (p/2)2) then
         begin un := un-1 := -p/2 ;
         s := sqrt(q - (p/2)2) ; vn := s ;
         vn-1 := -s
         end else
         begin s := sqrt((p/2)2 - q) ;
         if p < 0 then un := -p/2 + s
         else un := -p/2 - s ; un-1 := q/un ;
         vn := vn-1 := 0
         end ; CONVn := CONVn-1 := K ;
         n := n - 2 ;
         for j := 0 step 2 until n do hj := bj ;
         go to INIT ;
RETURN: end

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